

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2160 - SB 2143

April 2, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Limits admissibility of evidence in a civil action alleging sexual harassment or sexual assault. Opinion evidence, reputation evidence, and evidence of specific instances of the plaintiff's sexual conduct are not admissible by the plaintiff in order to prove consent by the plaintiff or the absence of injury to the plaintiff. The limitation is not applicable to evidence of the plaintiff's sexual conduct with the alleged perpetrator.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumption:

- Establishing the provisions concerning admissibility of certain evidence in sexual harassment or sexual assault cases will not have a significant fiscal impact on state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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